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The following information on a Polish labor battalion * in and around **Bytom** (Q 51/Y 53) was obtained :

1. Superior headquarters : Hq 5th MD in Krakow (Q 51/Z 24) **

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3. Disposition : One company in **Bytom** ,

One company in Chebzie, about 6 km SW of **Bytom** ,

One company in Ruda, north of Chebzie,

One company in Wirek, about 5 km SE of Chebzie (Wirek Mine?).

4. Officers : CO : Col Piasecki

Dpty CO : Maj Ptasiak (?)

C/S : Capt Rucjan (?)

5. Armament : Each company had only a few rifles for drill practice.

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Comment :

* The battalion may be identical to the Polish Army unit reported previously ***.

** The **Bytom** area belongs to the 4th MD, according to previous information. It is still not considered a part of the 5th MD despite the above information. The labor battalion probably came from the 5th MD.

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